

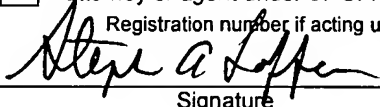


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| PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2008 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H. R. 4818).) | | Docket Number (Optional) M0025.0348/P348 | |
| Application Number 10/568,949-Conf. #9329 | | Filed August 31, 2006 | |
| For METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR INVESTIGATING A SAMPLE | | | |
| Art Unit 2884 | | Examiner C. Hannaher | |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. | | | |
| The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below): | | | |
| | | <u>Fee</u> | <u>Small Entity Fee</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$120 | \$60 \$ 60.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$460 | \$230 \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$1050 | \$525 \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$1640 | \$820 \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$2230 | \$1115 \$ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 04-1073. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. | | |
| WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. | | | |
| I am the | <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor. | | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). | | |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 31,063 | | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 | | |
|  Signature | | July 17, 2008 Date | |
| Stephen A. Soffen Typed or printed name | | (202) 420-4879 Telephone Number | |
| NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below. | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Total of 1 forms are submitted. | | |

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| Effective on 12/08/2004. Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818). FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2008 | | Complete if Known | | |
| | | Application Number | 10/568,949-Conf. #9329 | |
| | | Filing Date | August 31, 2006 | |
| | | First Named Inventor | Bryan E. Cole | |
| | | Examiner Name | C. Hannaher | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 | Art Unit | 2884 | | |
| TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT | (\$) | 60.00 | Attorney Docket No. | M0025.0348/P348 |

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deposit Account | Deposit Account Number: | 04-1073 | Deposit Account Name: | Dickstein Shapiro LLP |
| For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply) | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge fee(s) indicated below | <input type="checkbox"/> Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayments of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayments | | | |

FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

| Application Type | FILING FEES | | SEARCH FEES | | EXAMINATION FEES | | Fees Paid (\$) |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | |
| Utility | 310 | 155 | 510 | 255 | 210 | 105 | |
| Design | 210 | 105 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | |
| Plant | 210 | 105 | 310 | 155 | 160 | 80 | |
| Reissue | 310 | 155 | 510 | 255 | 620 | 310 | |
| Provisional | 210 | 105 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

| Fee Description | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) |
|--|----------|-----------------------|
| Each claim over 20 (including Reissues) | 50 | 25 |
| Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues) | 210 | 105 |
| Multiple dependent claims | 370 | 185 |

| Total Claims | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) | Multiple Dependent Claims |
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| 22 | 23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | Fee (\$) |

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

| Indep. Claims | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) |
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| 3 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$260 (\$130 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

| Total Sheets | Extra Sheets | Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) |
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| - 100 = | /50 = | (round up to a whole number) x | | |

4. OTHER FEE(S)

| | Fees Paid (\$) |
|---|----------------|
| Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount) | |
| Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 2251 Extension for response within first month | 60.00 |

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| SUBMITTED BY | | | |
| Signature | | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 31,063 |
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| | | Date | July 17, 2008 |